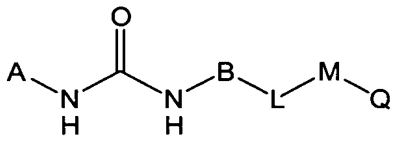
1) A compound of formula (I):

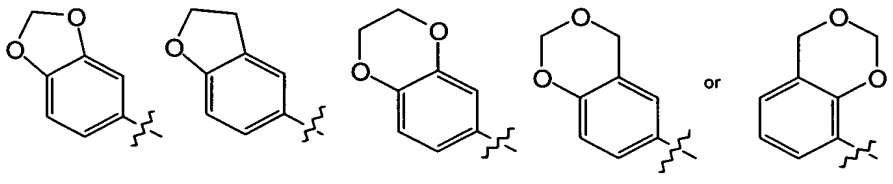


I

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, prodrug or metabolite thereof, wherein

A is a bicyclic heterocycle which is:

(1) benzimidazolyl
(2) 1,3-benzothiazolyl
(3) 1,2,3-benzotriazolyl
(4) 1,3-benzoxazolyl
(5) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indolyl
(6) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indenyl
(7) 1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothienyl
(8) 1H-indazolyl
(9) 2H-indazolyl
(10) 1H-indolyl
(11) 2H-chromenyl
(12) quinoxalinyl or
(13) a group of the formula



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optionally substituted with 1-4 substituents which are independently R^1, OR^1, $S(O)_pR^1$, $C(O)R^1$, $C(O)OR^1$, $C(O)NR^1R^2$, halogen, oxo, cyano, or nitro;

B is phenyl, naphthyl, pyridyl, or quinolinyl optionally substituted with 1-4 substituents which are independently C_1-C_5 linear or branched alkyl, C_1-C_5 linear or branched haloalkyl, C_1-C_3 alkoxy, hydroxy, amino, C_1-C_3 alkylamino, C_1-C_6 dialkylamino, carboxyamide, halogen, cyano, nitro or $S(O)_pR^7$;

L is :

(a) $-(CH_2)_m-O-(CH_2)_l-$,
(b) $-(CH_2)_m-(CH_2)_l-$,
(c) $-(CH_2)_m-C(O)-(CH_2)_l-$,
(d) $-(CH_2)_m-NR^3-(CH_2)_l-$,
(e) $-(CH_2)_m-NR^3C(O)-(CH_2)_l-$,
(f) $-(CH_2)_m-S-(CH_2)_l-$,
(g) $-(CH_2)_m-C(O)NR^3-(CH_2)_l-$, or
(h) a single bond;

m and l are integers independently selected from 0-4;

M is a pyridine ring, optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents which are independently C_1-C_5 linear or branched alkyl, C_1-C_5 linear or branched haloalkyl, C_1-C_3 alkoxy, hydroxy, amino, C_1-C_3 alkylamino, C_1-C_6 dialkylamino, halogen, or nitro;.

Q is $C(O)R^4$, $C(O)OR^4$ or $C(O)NR^4R^5$.;

each of R^1, R^2, R^3, R^4 and R^5 is independently:

(a) hydrogen,
(b) C_1-C_5 linear, branched, or cyclic alkyl,

(c) phenyl,
(d) C_1-C_3 alkyl-phenyl,
(e) up to per–halo substituted C_1-C_5 linear or branched alkyl,
(f) -$(CH_2)_q$-X, wherein X is a 5 or 6 membered heterocyclic ring, containing at least one atom selected from oxygen, nitrogen and sulfur, which is saturated, partially saturated, or aromatic, or a 8-10 membered bicyclic heteroaryl having 1-4 heteroatoms which are O, N or S, or
(g) -$(CH_2)_q$-Y, where Y is $C(O)R^6$, $C(O)OR^6$ and $C(O)NR^6R^7$;

each of R^6 – R^7 is independently :

(a) hydrogen,
(b) C_1-C_5 linear, branched, or cyclic alkyl,
(c) phenyl,
(d) C_1-C_3 alkyl-phenyl, or
(e) up to per–halo substituted C_1-C_5 linear or branched alkyl;

each of R^1, R^2, R^3, R^4 , R^5, R^6 and R^7, other than per–halo substituted C_1-C_5 linear or branched alkyl, is optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents which are independently C_1-C_5 linear or branched alkyl, up to perhalo substituted C_1-C_5 linear or branched alkyl, C_1-C_3 alkoxy, hydroxy, carboxy, amino, C_1-C_3 alkylamino, C_1-C_6 dialkylamino, halogen, cyano, or nitro;

p is an integer selected from 0, 1, or 2; and

q is an integer selected from 1, 2, 3, or 4.

2) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= 1H-benzimidazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
A= 1H-benzimidazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,

A= 1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
A= 1,3-benzodioxin-7-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
A= 1,3-benzodioxin-8-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
A= 1,3-benzodioxol-4-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
A= 1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
A= 1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
A= 1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
A= 1,3-benzothiazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
A= 1,2,3-benzotriazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
A= 1,3-benzoxazol-2-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl, or
A= 1,3-benzoxazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,

3) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= 1H-benzimidazolyl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1,3-benzodioxinyl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1,3-benzodioxolyl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1,3-benzothiazolyl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1,2,3-benzotriazolyl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl, or
A= 1,3-benzoxazolyl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl.

4) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= 1H-benzimidazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1H-benzimidazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,,
A= 1,3-benzodioxin-7-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1,3-benzodioxin-8-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1,3-benzodioxol-4-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl, ,

A= 1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

A= 1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

A= 1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

A= 1,3-benzothiazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

A= 1,2,3-benzotriazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

A= 1,3-benzoxazol-2-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl, or

A= 1,3-benzoxazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl.

5) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= 2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,

A= 2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,

A= 2,3-dihydro-1-benzofuran-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,

A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,

A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,

A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-4-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,

A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,

A= 1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothien-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl.

6) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= 2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

A= 2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

A= 2,3-dihydro-1-benzofuran-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-4-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl, or

A= 1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothien-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl.

7) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= 1H-indazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
A= 2H-indazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
A= 1H-indazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
A= 1H-indol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
A= 2-oxo-2H-chromen-7-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl or
A= 1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl.

8) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= 1H-indazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 2H-indazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1H-indazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1H-indol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 2-oxo-2H-chromen-7-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl, or
A= 1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl.

9) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= quinoxalin-2-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl or
A= quinoxalin-6-yl; and B= phenyl. pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl.

10) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= quinoxalin-2-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl, or
A= quinoxalin-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl.

11) A compound as in claim 1 wherein L is -O- or –S-.

12) A compound which is:

- N-methyl-4-[3-({[(2-methyl-1,3-benzoxazol-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(1-acetyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(6-chloro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-{4-[({[6-(trifluoromethoxy)-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl]amino}carbonyl)amino]phen-oxy}pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(6-fluoro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(6-fluoro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-{3-fluoro-4-[({[6-(trifluoromethoxy)-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl]amino}carbonyl)amino]phen-oxy}-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide;
- 4-[4-({[(6-methoxy-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(6-methoxy-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(5-chloro-1,3-benzoxazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(5-chloro-1,3-benzoxazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(6-chloro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-fluorophenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

- 4-[4-({[(6-chloro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-fluorophenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(2-chloro-4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[(5-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}quinolin-8-yl)oxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(4,6-difluoro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-fluorophenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(6-methoxy-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-{[({1-[2-(diethylamino)ethyl]-1H-indol-5-yl}amino)carbonyl]amino}-3-fluorophenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide;
- 4-(4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}-3-fluorophenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothien-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-fluorophenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2-fluoro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2,4-difluoro-5-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-fluoro-3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2-fluoro-5-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

- 4-[2-chloro-6-fluoro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-(2-methoxyethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-fluorophenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-(4-{[(quinoxalin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-fluoro-4-{[(quinoxalin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-{[(quinoxalin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-chloro-4-{[(quinoxalin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(2-methyl-1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2-methyl-1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-(trifluoro-methyl)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-methyl-4-({[(4-methyl-2-oxo-2H-chromen-7-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-methyl-4-({[(2-methyl-1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2-methyl-1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-{[3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]methyl}-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-{[3-fluoro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]methyl}-N-

methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

- 4-[2-chloro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2-chloro-4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2-chloro-4-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-{[(2,3-dihydro-1-benzofuran-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-{3-[({[2-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-benzimidazol-5-yl]amino}carbonyl)amino]-phenoxy}pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-chloro-3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methyl-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-chloro-3-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]-carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-chloro-3-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-

methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

- 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2-chloro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-fluorophenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 5-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]-N-methylnicotinamide
- 4-[4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-chloro-4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-{[(1,3-benzothiazol-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1-benzofuran-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-

2-carboxamide

- 4-[2,4-dichloro-5-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2,4-dichloro-5-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide;
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- 4-[2-chloro-4-({[(1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-chloro-4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-chloro-4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2,4-dichloro-5-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-{4-[({[1-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-5-yl]amino}carbonyl)amino]-phenoxy}pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-nitro-4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]-carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[2-methyl-4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]-carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2,3-difluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-

phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

- 4-[3,5-difluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2,5-difluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide trifluoroacetate
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-{[5-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-quinolin-8-yl]oxy}pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-{[(1H-indazol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide dihydrochloride
- N-[2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl]-4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-fluoro-4-{[(quinoxalin-2-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-[2-(dimethylamino)-2-oxoethyl]-4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-methyl-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- Methyl 4-[3-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-7-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxylate
- 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-{[(1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-

carboxamide

- N-methyl-4-[3-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-{[(2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-chloro-3-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 5-[2-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylnicotinamide
- 4-[2-chloro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-{[(1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}-4-chlorophenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-chloro-3-({[(6-fluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-8-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-{[(1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}-3-fluorophenoxy)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(6-fluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-8-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-chloro-3-{[(2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-({[(7-fluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-

phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

- 4-(4-{[(1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- Methyl 4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxylate
- Methyl 5-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]nicotinate
- 4-[2,4-dichloro-5-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-5-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]nicotinamide
- 4-(4-{[(1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}-3-chlorophenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(6-fluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-8-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[2-methyl-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-nitro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide 1-oxide
- 4-[3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-(2-piperidin-1-ylethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-(2-pyrrolidin-1-ylethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-pyridin-3-ylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-[3-(1H-imidazol-1-yl)propyl]-4-[3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-

phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide

- N-(2-piperidin-1-ylethyl)-4-[3-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]-carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-(2-pyrrolidin-1-ylethyl)-4-[3-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]-carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-pyridin-3-yl-4-[3-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-[3-(1H-imidazol-1-yl)propyl]-4-[3-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]-carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-[3-(1H-imidazol-1-yl)propyl]-4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]-carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-(2-pyrrolidin-1-ylethyl)-4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]-carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-(2-piperidin-1-ylethyl)-4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]-carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-(2-piperazin-1-ylethyl)-4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]-carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-pyridin-2-yl-4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-(2-pyrrolidin-1-ylethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-(2-piperazin-1-ylethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2-methoxy-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}-2-methoxyphenoxy)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2,5-difluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3,5-difluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-

phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide

- 4-[3-(aminocarbonyl)-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-(methylsulfonyl)-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-(methylthio)-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(6-nitro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(6-nitro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(4,6-difluoro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2-methyl-1,3-benzoxazol-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-4-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-4-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2-methyl-2H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-{[({1-[2-(diethylamino)ethyl]-1H-indazol-5-yl}amino)carbonyl]amino}-3-fluorophenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2-methyl-1H-indol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-{4-[(2-acetylpyridin-4-yl)oxy]phenyl}-N'-(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)urea
- N-[2-(dimethylamino)-2-oxoethyl]-4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}-aminophenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2-methyl-1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide

- N-methyl-4-{[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]methyl}-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-{[(1H-1,2,3-benzotriazol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- Methyl 4-[3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxylate
- 4-(4-{[(1H-1,2,3-benzotriazol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-{[(1H-indazol-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-{4-[({[2-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-benzimidazol-5-yl]amino}carbonyl)amino]-phenoxy}pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(1-ethyl-2-methyl-1H-benzimidazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- Methyl 4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxylate
- 4-[2-chloro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-7-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-[3-(1H-imidazol-1-yl)propyl]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-(2-pyrrolidin-1-ylethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-[3-(1H-imidazol-1-yl)propyl]-4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-(2-piperidin-1-ylethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-cyclopropyl-4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-(cyclopropylmethyl)-4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-cyclobutyl-4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-

2-carboxamide or

- Methyl-N-({4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)glycinate

13) A pharmaceutical composition which comprises an effective amount of at least one compound of claim1 and a physiologically acceptable carrier.

14) A method for treating or preventing a hyper-proliferative disorder in a human or other mammal comprising administering to a human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim 1 and an additional anti-proliferative agent.

15) A method for treating or preventing cancer in a human or other mammal comprising administering to a human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim 1 and a cytotoxic agent or cytostatic chemotherapeutic agent.

16) A method for treating or preventing a disease in a human or other mammal regulated by tyrosine kinase, associated with an aberration in the tyrosine kinase signal transduction pathway, comprising administering to a human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim 1.

17) A method for treating or preventing a disease in a human or other mammal mediated by the VEGF-induced signal transduction pathway, comprising administering to a human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim 1.

18) A method for treating or preventing a disease in a human or other mammal characterized by abnormal angiogenesis or hyperpermeability processes, comprising administering to a human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim1.

19) A method for treating or preventing a disease in a human or other mammal characterized by abnormal angiogenesis or hyperpermeability processes, comprising

administering to a human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim 1 simultaneously with another angiogenesis inhibiting agent in the same formulation or in separate formulations.

20) A method for treating or preventing one or more of the following conditions in humans and/or other mammals: tumor growth, retinopathy, ischemic retinal-vein occlusion, retinopathy of prematurity, age related macular degeneration; rheumatoid arthritis, psoriasis, a bolos disorder associated with subepidermal blister formation, including bullous pemphigoid, erythema multiforme, or dermatitis herpetiformis, comprising administering to a human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim 1.

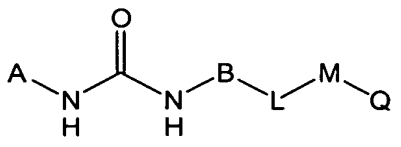
21) A method for treating or preventing one or more of the following conditions in humans and/or other mammals: tumor growth, retinopathy, diabetic retinopathy, ischemic retinal-vein occlusion, retinopathy of prematurity, age related macular degeneration; rheumatoid arthritis, psoriasis, bullous disorder associated with subepidermal blister formation, bullous pemphigoid, erythema multiforme, and dermatitis herpetiformis, in combination with an infectious disease selected from the group consisting of: tuberculosis, Helicobacter pylori infection during peptic ulcer disease, Chaga's disease resulting from Trypanosoma cruzi infection, effects of Shiga-like toxin resulting from E. coli infection, effects of enterotoxin A resulting from Staphylococcus infection, meningococcal infection, and infections from Borrelia burgdorferi, Treponema pallidum, cytomegalovirus, influenza virus, Theiler's encephalomyelitis virus, and the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV),

said method comprising administering to a human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim 1.

22) A method for treating or preventing diseases mediated by the VEGF-induced signal transduction pathway comprising administering a compound of claim 12.

23) A method for treating or preventing cancer comprising administering a compound of claim 12.

24) A compound of formula (I):



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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, prodrug or metabolite thereof, wherein Q is $C(O)R^4$, $C(O)OR^4$ or $C(O)NR^4R^5$;

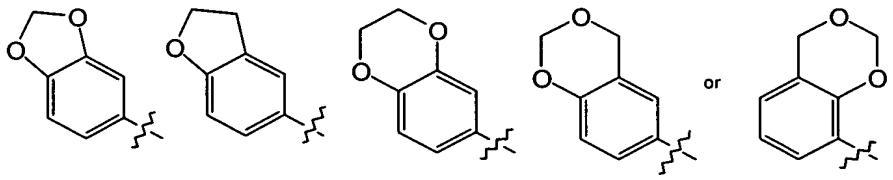
wherein A is a bicyclic heterocycle which is:

(1) benzimidazol-5-yl
(2) benzimidazol-6-yl
(3) 1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl
(4) 1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl
(5) 1,3-benzothiazol-6-yl
(6) 1,2,3-benzotriazol-5-yl
(7) 1,3-benzoxazol-2-yl
(8) 1,3-benzoxazol-6-yl
(9) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-5-yl
(10) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-6-yl
(11) 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-4-yl
(12) 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl
(13) 1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothien-6-yl
(14) 1H-indazol-5-yl
(15) 2H-indazol-5-yl
(16) 1H-indazol-6-yl
(17) 1H-indol-5-yl
(18) 2-oxo-2H-chromen-7-yl
(19) 1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl

(20) quinoxalin-2-yl

(21) quinoxalin-6-yl, or

(22) a group of the formula



optionally substituted with 1-4 substituents which are independently R^1, OR^1, $S(O)_pR^1$, $C(O)R^1$, $C(O)OR^1$, $C(O)NR^1R^2$, halogen, oxo, cyano, or nitro

B is phenyl, naphthyl, pyridyl, or quinolinyl optionally substituted with 1-4 substituents which are independently C_1-C_5 linear or branched alkyl, C_1-C_5 linear or branched haloalkyl, C_1-C_3 alkoxy, hydroxy, amino, C_1-C_3 alkylamino, C_1-C_6 dialkylamino, carboxyamide, halogen, cyano, nitro or $S(O)_pR^7$;

L is :

(a) $-(CH_2)_m-O-(CH_2)_l-$,

(b) $-(CH_2)_m-(CH_2)_l-$,

(c) $-(CH_2)_m-C(O)-(CH_2)_l-$,

(d) $-(CH_2)_m-NR^3-(CH_2)_l-$,

(e) $-(CH_2)_m- NR^3C(O)-(CH_2)_l-$,

(f) $-(CH_2)_m-S-(CH_2)_l-$,

(g) $-(CH_2)_m-C(O)NR^3-(CH_2)_l-$, or

(h) a single bond;

m and l are integers independently selected from 0-4;

M is a pyridine ring, optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents which are independently

C_1-C_5 linear or branched alkyl, C_1-C_5 linear or branched haloalkyl, C_1-C_3 alkoxy, hydroxy, amino, C_1-C_3 alkylamino, C_1-C_6 dialkylamino, halogen, or nitro;.

Q is $C(O)R^4$, $C(O)OR^4$ or $C(O)NR^4R^5$.;

each of R^1, R^2, R^3, R^4 and R^5, is independently:

(a) hydrogen,
(b) C_1-C_5 linear, branched, or cyclic alkyl,
(c) phenyl,
(d) C_1-C_3 alkyl-phenyl,
(e) up to per–halo substituted C_1-C_5 linear or branched alkyl,
(f) $-(CH_2)_q$-X, wherein X is a 5 or 6 membered heterocyclic ring, containing at least one atom selected from oxygen, nitrogen and sulfur, which is saturated, partially saturated, or aromatic, or a 8-10 membered bicyclic heteroaryl having 1-4 heteroatoms which are O, N or S, or
(g) $-(CH_2)_q$-Y, where Y is $C(O)R^6$, $C(O)OR^6$ and $C(O)NR^6R^7$;

each of R^6 – R^7 is independently :

(a) hydrogen,
(b) C_1-C_5 linear, branched, or cyclic alkyl,
(c) phenyl,
(d) C_1-C_3 alkyl-phenyl, or
(e) up to per–halo substituted C_1-C_5 linear or branched alkyl;

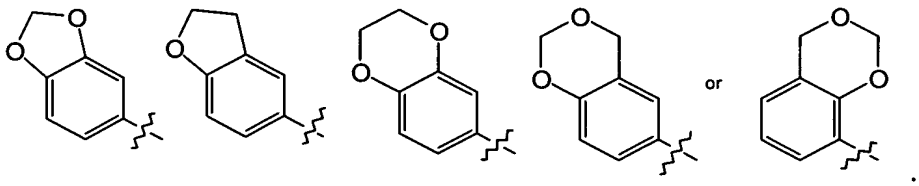
each of R^1, R^2, R^3, R^4, R^5, R^6 and R^7, other than per–halo substituted C_1-C_5 linear or branched alkyl, is optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents which are independently C_1-C_5 linear or branched alkyl, up to perhalo substituted C_1-C_5 linear or branched alkyl, C_1-C_3 alkoxy, hydroxy, carboxy, amino, C_1-C_3 alkylamino, C_1-C_6 dialkylamino, halogen, cyano, or nitro;

p is an integer selected from 0, 1, or 2; and

q is an integer selected from 1, 2, 3, or 4.

25) A compound of claim 24 wherein A is selected from

(1) benzimidazol-5-yl
(2) benzimidazol-6-yl
(8) 1,3-benzoxazol-6-yl
(9) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-5-yl
(10) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-6-yl
(11) 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-4-yl
(12) 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl
(13) 1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothien-6-yl
(14) 1H-indazol-5-yl
(15) 2H-indazol-5-yl
(16) 1H-indazol-6-yl
(17) 1H-indol-5-yl
(18) quinoxalin-2-yl
(19) quinoxalin-6-yl, and
(20) a group of the formula



26) A compound of claim 24 wherein the optional substituents on bicyclic

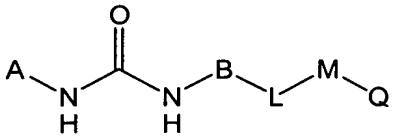
heterocycle A are independently R^1, OR^1, and halogen.

27) A compound as in claim 26 wherein is B is phenyl or pyridyl, optionally substituted with 1-4 substituents which are halogen.

28) A compound of claim 27 wherein L is –O-.

29) A compound of claim 28 wherein Q is $C(O)NR^4R^5$ and each of R^4 and R^5 is independently hydrogen or C_1-C_5 alkyl.

30) A compound of formula (I):



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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, prodrug or metabolite thereof, wherein

A is a bicyclic heterocycle which is:

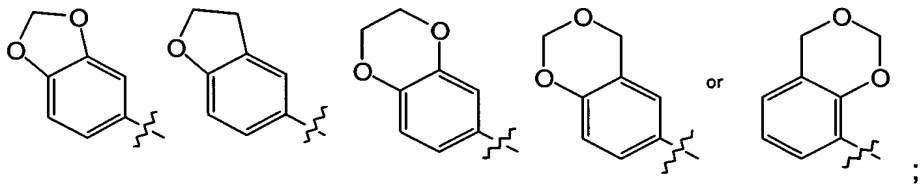
(1) benzimidazol-5-yl
(2) benzimidazol-6-yl
(8) 1,3-benzoxazol-6-yl
(9) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-5-yl
(10) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-6-yl
(11) 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-4-yl
(12) 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl
(13) 1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothien-6-yl
(14) 1H-indazol-5-yl
(15) 2H-indazol-5-yl
(16) 1H-indazol-6-yl

(17) 1H-indol-5-yl

(18) quinoxalin-2-yl

(19) quinoxalin-6-yl, and

(20) a group of the formula



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optionally substituted with 1-4 substituents which are independently R^1, OR^1, $S(O)_pR^1$, $C(O)R^1$, $C(O)OR^1$, $C(O)NR^1R^2$, halogen, oxo, cyano, or nitro

B is phenyl, optionally substituted with halogen,

L is -O-,

M is a pyridine ring substituted only with Q,

Q is $C(O)NHR^5$ and R^5 is independently hydrogen or C_1-C_5 alkyl,

and p is an integer selected from 0, 1, or 2.